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Port Almanac—February 28

Sun Rises	6.36 A M
Sun Sets	5.52 P M
Day's Length	11 h 16 m
High Water at Southport	5.20 P M
High Water at Wilmington	7.08 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 28.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 35°; 8 p. m., 38°; maximum, 46°; minimum, 35°; mean, 40°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 6.26.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 26.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 23.3 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair weather; variable winds; slowly rising temperature.

OUTLINES.

Extra precautions are being taken by the Treasury Department to prevent filibustering expeditions. ——The Venezuelan Boundary Commission delivered its report to the President and goes out of existence. ——It is said that King George of Greece intends to abdicate in favor of his eldest son, Crown Prince Constantine. ——The Postoffice Appropriation bill occupied the day's session of the Senate. ——The House passed the anti-scalping bill and noncurred in Senate amendments to the Indian Appropriation bill. ——A run on the Mullanphy Bank, St. Louis, Mo., causes it to suspend. ——The shortage of Otis Smith, the Atlanta defaulter, was made good and he was released from jail. ——Charges of corruption have been preferred against the head of Atlanta's sanitary department. ——Frank Crapp, of Atlanta, will be arrested for perjury in applying for a receiver for the Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company. ——By the explosion of a boiler at New Bedford, Mass., two persons were killed and several injured. ——At Galveston, Texas, Paul Le Ferte lost his life in saving his father's. ——Preparations for the Fitzsimmons contest are progressing satisfactorily. ——Ex Judge William W. Crump, the most distinguished lawyer of Richmond, Va., is dead. ——A Greek steamer is seized; by a British torpedo boat while attempting to land provisions and munitions of war for the Greek troops on the island of Crete; if the rumors in circulation in London are true, they show that the situation is extremely grave. ——High water undermined a five-story warehouse at Cincinnati, causing it to collapse; one person was killed and several other made narrow escapes. ——New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@1¾ per cent.; cotton steady middling 7 7-16c; Southern flour dull; steady and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 20@3 50; good to choice $3 60@4 00; wheat—spot market dull and firm, No. 2 red free on board 88⅜c; corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 28½c at elevator and 29⅝ afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 70; spirits turpentine firm at 29½@30c.

Mr. McKinley is not going back on the Mc's. He has put two of them in his Cabinet.

It is reported that Japan is accumulating $40,000,000 of gold, to go on the gold basis. If this be so Japan has less sense than any one suspected her of having.

An exchange remarks that Mr. Cleveland has not yet told any one what business he will engage in when he retires from the President business. Probably he doesn't consider his business anybody else's business.

Hon. Mark Hanna is authority for the statement that Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, will appoint a Senator when Senator Blackburn's time expires, and Mark knows. He and Mr. McKinley sent for Bradley and gave him a business talk.

Great damage has been done by the recent flood in the Ohio river. Above Pittsburg it is estimated at $1,500,000, and ten thousand men were thrown out of work by the flooding of factories. Of course the loss below Pittsburg will be very heavy.

Margereta Karaiskaki is the name of a young Amazon who leads the Cretans in battle, and is said to be a fighter who has never lost a battle. As she appears in the pictures we like Maggie pretty well, but we can't say we are stuck on the second section of her name.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

Addison Cammack, who went from Kentucky to New York and struck for Wall Street, when a boy couldn't earn more than $6 a month and had the reputation of being a very dull boy. But he was smart enough to catch on to Wall street and rake in millions before he retired to take it easy. You can't always tell what there may be in the "dull" boy when he gets the chance to whet up.

When Herr Hesing is elected Mayor of Chicago he is going to emulate the example of Mayor Pingree, of Detroit, in utilizing the vacant lots for raising stuff. But he is not stuck on potatoes like Pingree, but will go for beans. He believes in the excellence and nourishing quality of the bean as firmly as any Bostonian. He is playing bean strong and promises if he is elected to stand by it.

According to the New York *Sun's* figures North Carolina has the smallest proportion of foreign-born residents of any State in the Union. The proportion in Louisiana is 4 per cent., the lowest in the list except North Carolina, where the per centage in 1890 was one fifth of 1 per cent. This makes North Carolina the most distinctively American State in the Union.

One of the New York Legislators, who objects to having his picture in the papers, has introduced a bill prohibiting papers from printing cartoons without the consent of the person portrayed. With such a law as that how monotonous life would be to the New Yorker in political campaigns.

Florida promises to become a great tobacco-growing State. The acreage is increasing annually and largely. One cigar manufactory at Gadsden has 17,000 acres under cultivation.

Out of the forty five States in the Union only six hold annual sessions of the Legislature. Some of them should not have sessions more than once in forty years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. A. KURE—A card.
Y. M. C. A.—Concert.
W. B. COOPER—Coffee.
W. E. WORTH & CO.—Coal.
S. W. SANDERS—This week.
JAS. D. NUTT—Open all day.
A. D. BROWN—New arrivals.
D. L. GORE—Fox River butter.
A. PREMPERT—Expert barbers.
REV. C. L. HOFFMANN—Europe.
TAYLOR'S BAZAAR—Kid gloves.
MARY F. VANAMRINGE—Notice.
HALL & PEARSALL—To truckers.
GEO. O. GAYLORD—Shoes, clothing.
C. W. POLVOGT & CO.—To patrons.
NOTICE—Wil. Home & Loan Asso'n.
PETERSON & RULFS—Announcement.
MERCER & EVANS—Something nice.
J. H. REHDER & CO.—Lowest prices.
WIL. SAVINGS & TRUST CO.—Annual meeting.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

WATED—Male help.
YOU can make money.
J. A FAISON—For sale.
H. K. HOLDEN—Lamp goods, tinware.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. T. H. Wright has returned from Winston.

— Mr. W. H. Pyke, of Southport, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Mr. E. Singletary, of N. C., was a hotel registration yesterday.

— Mr. D. C. Rogers, of Wallace, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mrs. F. M. King, of Philadelphia, Pa., is in the city visiting her brother, Mr. J. A. Springer.

— Mr. J. H. Thomas has had a severe attack of pneumonia, but was able to be at his place of business yesterday.

— Judge A. L. Coble, who presided over last week's term of Superior Court in Columbus county, passed through the city yesterday, returning to his home in Statesville.

— Some of the arrivals yesterday were W. R. Barksdale, N. C.; Mr. D. H. Hyraly, editor of the *Truckers' and Planters Journal*, Chadbourn; Mr. C. A. Levi, Hub, and Mr. J. F. Musselwhite, Hope Mills.

— R. S. White, Esq., of Elizabethtown, was in the city yesterday on his way home from Whiteville court, where he appeared for Jim Haynes, colored, who was declared guilty of the murder of John Lee.

Visit Rehder's this week. It will pay you. †

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— For other new advertisements see fourth page.

— The Board of Aldermen will meet in regular monthly session to-morrow night.

— Mr. H. K. Holden makes an nouncement in our advertising columns in regard to lamp goods.

— The regular monthly meeting of the County Commissioners will be held to-morrow afternoon.

— Register of Deeds Norwood issued marriage licenses the past week to four white and two colored couples.

— Rev. Geo. P. Bostick, missionary to China, will preach at the First Baptist church to-day at 11 a. m. and to-night at 7.30 o'clock he will speak at South Side Baptist church.

— Walter Paige, colored, was committed to jail from Justice Bunting's Court yesterday in default of $50 bond to await the action of the Criminal Court on the charge of larceny.

— The Russian barque *Guido*, Capt. Blomvuist, cleared yesterday for London, England, with a cargo of 3,962 barrels rosin, valued at $5 986. Vessel and cargo by Paterson, Downing & Co.

— A gray parrot, belonging to Mrs. A. W. Watson, of 613 Grace street, laid its second egg on last Friday night, its first having been laid just one year ago. The egg is about the size of a small pullet's.

— Superintendent R. J. McIlhenny informed a STAR reporter yesterday afternoon that the fire-alarm system had been thoroughly tested during the day, and that everything connected with it was all right.

— Rev. C. C. Brown, D. D., of Sumter, S. C., will deliver his famous lecture, "After the Marriage Knot is Tied," at the Brooklyn Baptist church on Monday night, March 1st. The lecture is for the benefit of the new church.

— The STAR learns that Capt. W. P. Craighill, of the U. S. Engineer Corps, now stationed at Willett's Point, has been ordered to Wilmington. He is a son of Gen. W. P. Craighill, so well and so favorably known to the people of this city.

— A horse drawing a cart ran away yesterday, starting at the W. & W. freight depot, turning up Red Cross to Front and coming down Front street to Adrian's stables near the corner of Front and Dock. Mr. D. W. Trask was the owner of the horse and cart and his son, Mr. George Trask, was the driver.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—21 bales cotton, 2 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—24 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 102 bbls rosin, 12 bbls tar.

Carolina Central R. R.—4 casks spirits turpentine, 35 bbls rosin, 10 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—5 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer Daggett—2 casks spirits turpentine, 130 bbls tar.

Steamer Cœsus—90 bbls rosin, 4 bbls tar.

Schooner William—5 casks spirits turpentine, 144 bbls rosin.

Schooner Ruth—52 bbls rosin, 21 bbls tar.

Rafts—338 bbls rosin, 23 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 95 bales; spirits turpentine, 20 casks; rosin, 752 bbls; tar, 202 bbls.

Death of an Old Citizen of Pender County

News reached here yesterday of the death of Mr. J. B. Croom, which took place at his home near Currie, Pender county, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Croom was nearly eighty years old and had been in failing health for some time.

Twelve children, three sons and nine daughters, survive him. One of the sons, Mr. W. H. Croom, lives in this city. Dr. J. D. Croom, a leading citizen of Maxton, is also a son of the deceased. Of the daughters there are Mrs. L. M. LeGwin, of Wilmington; Mrs. B. F. McLean, of Maxton, and Mrs. Daniel McDonald, of Fayetteville.

Mr. W. H. Croom left yesterday to attend the funeral.

DONATIONS TO CATHERINE KENNEDY HOME.

The Benevolent Society takes pleasure in thanking the following friends for donations to the Catherine Kennedy Home and in reminding all that Tuesday is our visiting day, when we will be glad to see as many of our friends as will be pleased to call. Mr. James Taylor load of wood, Mrs. Bridgers $2.00 in coffee. Mrs. W. M. Hankins 2 packages, Mrs. Col. J. L. Cantwell, Mrs. B. F. Hall, Mrs. Carmer Davis, Miss Maggie Hankins, Mrs. C. W. Davis, Mrs. A. G. Hankins, Miss Jennie Bunting 13 packages, Mrs. Dr. Carmichael, Mrs. Roger Moore, Mr. J. F. Garrell, Mr. W. M. Haves, Jr., Col. Cantwell.

Harbor Statistics—Arrivals in February.

The records of the harbor master, Capt. E. D. Williams, show arrivals of vessels of over 90 tons at the port of Wilmington during the month of February as follows: American—Four steamships, 3,158 tons; one brig, 334 tons; thirteen schooners, 4,174 tons; one dredge, 860 tons. Total, vessels, nineteen; tons, 8,536.

Foreign—Five barques, 2,394 tons; four schooners, 650 tons. Total, vessels, nine; tons, 3,044.

Died in California.

We clip from the *Chronicle*, of Walton, N. Y., the following notice:

"John McPherson died of consumption at Daggart, Cal., Feb. 7th, 1897, aged 40 years. It will be remembered that Mr. McPherson lived in this village for several years. He was a brother of Mrs. John Telford, of Walton, Mrs. Grant Laidlaw and Mrs. Oliver Carson, of Oneonta, and Mrs. Margaret Thorburn, of Wilmington, N. C.

ABOUT THE FIRE.

Total Amount of Insurance—The Attempt to Burn I. Shrier's Store—Victims of Accidents Improving—Praise for Firemen.

Owing to the general excitement prevailing Friday night a few of the facts and incidents connected with the fire could not be obtained. As nearly as they could be ascertained yesterday they are as follows:

The insurance on the stock of dry goods belonging to C. W. Polvogt & Co was as stated in yesterday's paper, with the following additions: $3,500 with Dr. W. W. Harriss; $4,000 with Atkinson & Son; $3,500 with W. W. Hodges, and $1,000 with C. H. Robinson, Jr., making the total insurance $34,000.

Twenty-five dollars in money was destroyed in the cash register in Mr. Polvogt's store.

Mr. S. Behrends, owner of the store, had it insured with Mr. W. W. Hodges for $1,500, which, added to the amounts named, yesterday, made the total insurance $10,800.

The attempt to set fire to the building on the northeast corner of Front and Princess streets, owned by Mr. Sol. Bear, provoked a good deal of comment yesterday.

If the fire had gotten under any such headway as that in the Polvogt store, it would have swept the whole block. The lives of Messrs. E. J. and H. C. Bear, who have rooms in the third story of the building, were gravely imperilled, the only way of escape being down the stair-case, the foot of which was set on fire.

THE INJURED ALL IMPROVING.

Mr. A. F. Gibson, clerk in E. Warren & Son's confectionery store, was the most seriously hurt. But his injuries were not so serious as they were thought Friday night. The only injury from which any danger at all was on the head and that turned out to be merely a scalp wound.

Mr. Fostick, of Messrs. Wright & Co.'s bicycle store, was at his post to-day, so he was not at all seriously injured. He states that the buggy with which he collided was coming up Market instead of Third street, as was stated. He turned to the right, but the driver of the vehicle turned to his left, and caused the collision.

The injuries sustained by Mr. C. W Colwell were probably more serious than those of either of the others. He was resting well yesterday, however, and it is thought that he will be able to get out again within two weeks.

Both of the handsome plate glass windows of Messrs. Wm. E. Springer & Co.'s store, and one of the plate glass windows of the Parlor Market were cracked in two or three places by the heat from the fire. The windows in the stores of Mr. Geo. Honnett and Mr. H. J. Gerken were also cracked.

PRAISE FOR THE FIREMEN.

On every hand is heard nothing but praise for the Fire Department in its handling of the fire. Assistant Chief of the Fire Department, Charles Schnibben, who was in charge, and his fire boys, did noble work confining the fire to Messrs. Polvogt & Co.'s building.

About 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the dying embers of the burned building began to rekindle. The Atlantic hose reel was sent for and a stream of water was soon put upon the debris.

Police Officer H. H. Woebse says that a short time before the incendiary fire at I. Shrier's store broke out he saw a colored man standing in the passage-way of the building where it occurred. When he went to investigate, the man walked off. The electric lights being out at the time he was unable to recognize him.

Death of Mr. E. C. Wheeler.

The STAR is pained to announce the death of Mr. Edward Clarence Wheeler, of Salisbury, which occurred in this city at the residence of his aunt, Mrs. Wm. H. Shaw, No. 314 North Fourth street, yesterday morning, at 8.15 o'clock. The deceased was 27 years old, and was a son of the late Rev. Joseph Wheeler of the North Carolina Conference M. E Church South. His mother was a daughter of the late Wm. Sutton, Esq., of this city, and a sister of Col. Thomas Sutton, of Fayetteville. Mr. Wheeler, up to about three months ago, was bookkeeper of the First National Bank of Salisbury, N. C., when his health began to fail and he removed to this city. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias of Salisbury and no doubt a large number of Pythias of this city will attend the funeral, which will be held at Grace M. E. church this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock. The deceased leaves one brother, Mr. Robt. S. Wheeler, of Atlanta, Ga., and two sisters, Mrs. J. L. McKoy, of King's Mountain, N. C., and Miss Lura H. Wheeler, of this city, all of who were at his bedside when he died.

Polvogt & Co.'s New Quarters.

As announced in the advertising columns of this paper, Messrs. C. W. Polvogt & Co. will have their office for the present at No. 30 North Front street, in the store of Messrs. Chesnutt & Barrentine. Mr. Polvogt intends to open again at his former stand, No. 9 North Front street, as soon as the building can be gotten ready. Repairs on the building will be commenced to-morrow. It is not certain yet whether the walls will have to be pulled down or not.

One Cent a Word!

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Table Linens, Fruit of the Loom 4-4 Bleaching, 7c; new Dress Goods, Trimmings of every discription at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BILLS CONCERNING BANKS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES INTRODUCED.

Bill Giving Asheville a Dispensary Passed the House—Wilmington Charter Bill in the Senate—Bill to Amend Charter of Edenton Tabled.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—In the House the following bills and resolutions were introduced: To adjourn *sine die* March 6th; to regulate fire insurance companies; to make the salary of the Attorney General's clerk $900; to repeal the tax on practicing physicians; to require the State Medical Board of Examiners to grant license to physicians who have practiced ten years; to prevent carrying concealed weapons by employes of detective agencies; to amend the charter of Warsaw; to allow Wilson county to issue bonds; to incorporate Wake County Live Stock Association, legalizing cockfighting.

By Murphy, to amend the insurance laws of the State by providing that no fire insurance company shall do business in the State unless it has $100,000 of actual cash capital paid up or assets invested in bonds or stocks or in mortgages with double the amount for which property is mortgaged, and all fire companies shall deposit with the State Treasurer $30,000 of United States, North Carolina, county or municipal bonds, which are valid, and whenever any loss by fire occurs the loser, to secure recovery of insurance, to notify the State Auditor pending settlement of said loss and the amount claimed, and if there is not prompt settlement of the loss he may ask for a receiver to take charge of enough bonds to satisfy the judgment after suit; to regulate payment of wages to employes of manufacturing corporations which carry on stores in connection with their business. It requires such corporations which carry on any store or mercantile business owned by itself, or in which any officer of said corporation is interested, to pay the laborers and employes of said corporations at least once a week all sums due such laborers and employes in such actual work.

Bills passed to make stockholders of every bank chartered by the State individually liable and responsible, equally and ratably, and not one for another, for all contracts, debts and agreements to the extent of the amount of their stock therein at par value thereof, in addition to the amount invested in such bank, and all exceptions in any bank charter are repealed, and to forbid any bank from lending any one person over one-tenth of its capital; to make it discretionary with the State Treasurer as to making State deposits in certain banks; to require all bankers or officers and directors of railways and State banks, or other corporations, created or chartered by the Legislature, to take an official oath; certain territory ceded to Clay county by the last Legislature was restored to Cherokee.

The bill giving to Asheville a dispensary system passed all readings. Blackburn wanted to submit the question to a vote of the people. The Broughton-Young contest was made the special order for Tuesday.

Senate—The Wilmington charter bill was brought over to the Senate and Cannon made a motion to place it on the calendar. Such strength developed against placing the bill on the calendar that the promoters of the bill allowed it to be referred to the Committee on Corporations. Sutton, of New Hanover, worked heroically to get the bill on the calendar. Grant said if the bill was referred it would mean that it never would come before the Senate again.

Bills introduced: By Clark, to provide for a Code Commission to codify the laws of the State; to pay mileage to assistant enrolling clerks; to amend chapter 355, Laws of 1837, relative to working convicts on public roads; to authorize an election in Duplin on removal of the court house; to regulate pay of mechanics, laborers and other hired help; to change the name of the Normal and Industrial School to Normal and Industrial College; to prohibit persons from building dams to injure other persons by backwater; to employ two physicians for the colored deaf, dumb and blind institution.

The bill to amend the charter of Edenton was tabled.

The bill to prohibit the use of free passes by public officers, being the special order, was taken up. Ray offered the following amendment: "That all railroads in the State furnish free passes to all State officers during their term of office, and to make passenger rates two cents for first-class and one and a half cents for second-class." Lost—Yeas 19, nays 33. The original bill failed to pass. Yeas 23, nays 23. There being a tie the Lieutenant Governor voted no.

Concert Tuesday Night.

The concert to be given at the Young Men's Christian Association Tuesday night for the benefit of St. Paul's Episcopal Church promises to be a most delightful entertainment, as some of Wilmington's finest musical talent, together with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jellison, who will kindly assist in the evening's enjoyment, are down on the programme for several numbers. The object alone should insure a large attendance.

Amendments to the Sundry Civil Bill.

Among the amendments reported to the Sundry Civil bill by Chairman Allison were the following:

For a new fence around the Marine Hospital at Wilmington, N. C., $400. For York river, Va., and Cape Fear river, N. C., to get their portion of $300,000 appropriated for establishing, supplying and maintaining port lights. For a lighthouse superintendent for the coasts of Virginia and North Carolina.

Curtain Poles, Window Shades, Mattings, Carpets at cut prices at Rehder's.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

BILL TO CHANGE CHARTER OF RALEIGH REPORTED FAVORABLY.

The Alexander-Hyatt Affair—Representative Hancock's Law Office at Newbern Burned—Public Printing—Another Pardon by the Governor.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 27.

All interest is centred in the Senate to-day, where it is expected that Senator Hyatt will arise to a question of personal privilege in accordance with his announcement last evening. Old newspaper men declare that Senator Hyatt's statement is the "warmest number" that has ever appeared in North Carolina newspapers.

The Committee on Cities and Towns yesterday reported favorably the bill to change the charter of the city of Raleigh. It is probable that all of these city bills will be "hung up" in the House.

Representative Howe's refusal to support the modified bill to change the charter of Wilmington was surprising. Howe introduced the original bill as it passed the House last night. Perhaps that is why he would not father the substitute, though he received several telegrams yesterday requesting that he do so.

Sutton did not take up this bill last night until after he had ascertained Howe's position.

Representative Robert Hancock, of Newbern, received a telegram stating that his law office was destroyed by fire this morning. All his papers and effects were destroyed. The loss is an irreparable one. The telegram stated that the fire was incendiary. Mr. Hancock left this morning for Newbern.

Speaking of the manner in which Lusk gave "Little Billie Bryan" such a drubbing in the debate on the University appropriation, Editor Ramsay, of the *Progressive Farmer*, remarked: "When Republicans and bolters fall out, honest men will get their dues."

Next Tuesday is the day required by law for letting the public printing. A big fight has been waged for the printing as is the case every two years. The contract held by Stewart Bros. does not expire until July.

Governor Russell pardons Peter Haynes, of Madison county, who is serving a two years' sentence for assault with a deadly weapon. In granting the pardon the Governor assigns the following reasons: "In this case the pardon is recommended by the trial judge, Ewart; by the solicitor who prosecuted, by Senator Pritchard, by Senator Rollins, by Hon. V. S. Luske and by Mr. Roberts, the member from Madison. It appears that the man has already suffered enough."

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street above Bladen street, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock, evening service at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free and every person cordially invited.

St. Paul's church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. F. N. Skinner, rector. Services to-day, Quinquagesima Sunday, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. Services Ash Wednesday at 11 a. m. All seats free.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor. German service at 11 a. m.; English service at 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. Meeting of the Christian Association at 4.30 p. m. All seats free.

St. James' church, Quinquagesima Sunday: Holy Communion, 7.45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Evening Prayer, 5 p. m; Sunday school, 3.45 p. m. Strangers cordially invited.

Services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. Carmichael. All are invited to attend.

Services in St. John's church to-day by the rector, Dr. Carmichael, at 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. Sunday school 4 p. m.

COLORED CHURCHES.

Central Baptist church: Preaching to-day at 10.30 a. m. by Rev. S. Shiver; at 8 p. m. by Rev. H. A. Bonner, and at 8 p. m. by Rev. B. A. Moore.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. J. Gregg, pastor. Preaching to-day at 11.30 a. m. by Rev. B. A. Moore, of Fair Bluff, S. C.; 8 p. m., Rev. J. H. Richardson. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6.30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor at 7.30 p. m. Subject: "The Judgment."

At Ebenezer Baptist church, Seventh street, between Orange and Ann, there will be services to-day at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. B. K. Sykes. Sunday school at 12.30 p. m. Baptism at 4.30 p. m. at the foot of Queen street. Preaching by Rev. J. Speis at 7.30 p. m. Strangers and friends are welcome.

City Markets.

The country produce market was well stocked yesterday. Vegetables in particular were plentiful, of choice grades and in considerable variety. Shad were scarce and higher. Eggs sold for 10 and 12½ per dozen. Prices of other articles were as follows:

Vegetables—Lettuce, 2½ to 5c per head; radishes, 3c per bunch; spinach, 15 to 25c per peck; cabbage, small, 5c per head; collards, 2½ to 5c per head; turnips and rutabagas, 3 to 5c per bunch; kale, 75c per bushel; celery, 25c per bunch; green onions, 5c per bunch; Irish potatoes, 25c per peck; sweet potatoes, 12½ to 20c per peck.

Meats—Pork, 10c per pound; sausage, 10c; steak, loin, 12½c; round 10c; chuck, 7c; stew, 5 and 6c.

Oysters—Best New River, 75 and 80c; Stump Sound, 60c; Myrtle Grove, 50c; Sound oysters, 40c. Oysters in shell, 75c per bushel. Clams, in shell, 75c per bushel; opened, 75c per gallon.

Fish—Shad, 60c and $1 00; mullets, 15c per bunch; herring, 20c per bunch; trout, 20 to 30c each.

Elected a Member of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Wm. E. Worth has returned from Charleston, S. C., where he has been attending the convention of the Southern Ice Exchange. Mr. Worth took quite a prominent part in the work of the convention, and was elected a member of the Executive Committee.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

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MAXTON NEWS ITEMS.

(*Maxton Letter to Robesonian*)

Mr. W. A. Lowe, a prominent co-operationist of Maxton, is disgusted with the present Legislature. He says it is worse than that of 1868.

The Maxton Cotton Mills are adding to their machinery and preparing to raise the tide of prosperity in spite of McKinley's election.

Messrs. Carter & Alford have bought of Col. F. W. Kerchner the old McCormac lot on the corner of Patterson street and the Public Square. They will erect a store thereon.

Mr. H. C. Alford, of Floral College, has bought the fine lot west of McCaskill avenue, between Mr. C. A. Holland's residence and the new dwelling being erected by Capt. G. B. Sellers. Mr. Alford will build a handsome residence there.

Mrs. J. F. L. Armfield and Miss Ethel went down to Jacksonville last Monday to visit Mrs. W. C. Wishart. Mrs. Armfield will visit the Newbern Fair and return home Saturday. Miss Ethel has made many friends in Maxton who will always be glad to welcome her back.

Mr. W. S. McNair has returned from Yulee, Florida. He and Mr. Frank P. Wooten have sold their turpentine business at that place at a very handsome profit. Mr. Walter W. Smith returned home Saturday and Mr. Wooten will return later.

WARSHIPS FOR HAVANA.

Thought Probable Some May Soon Be Sent to Cuba.

[*Baltimore Sun*]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—It is already considered probable that the reported friction between the State Department and Consul General Lee, together with the warlike utterances of Senator Sherman, will necessitate the sending of warships to Havana soon after Mr. McKinley has been inaugurated, and from this preliminary movement to an open rupture with the Spanish authorities because of some real or fancied offence is but a short step.

It was rumored to-day that the Secretary of the Navy is keeping war vessels in Southern waters in order that they can easily be sent to Havana in anticipation of such a step by the new administration, but no confirmation of this statement could be obtained. It is, however, believed to be almost certain that unless Mr. Sherman, as Secretary of State, is overruled by Mr. McKinley, he will urge such a step.

Pay Day.

The superintendents of the different county roads were in the city yesterday drawing on the county for money to pay their hands. Those in the city were Mr. E. A. Orrell, of Masonboro, Mr. J. P. Montgomery, of Federal Point, and Mr. W. F. Alexander, of Scott's Hill.

DIED.

WHEELER—In this city, at the residence of his aunt, Mrs. Wm H. Shaw, 311 North Fourth street, at 8.15 a. m. Saturday, February 27th, EDWARD CLARENCE WHEELER, of Salisbury, N. C., age 27 years, son of the late Rev. Joseph Wheeler, of the N. C. Conference M. E. Church South.

Funeral at 4.30 p. m., Sunday, 28th, from Grace M. E. Church. Interment at Oakdale Cemetery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

A Card.

I DESIRE ON BEHALF OF MY SON, Mr. Wilhelm Kure, to return his and my thanks to our noble firemen, both white and colored, especially to the Assistant Chief, Mr. Chas. Schnibben, and the Foreman of the Adrian Fire Company, Mr. Henry Hart, and the gallant members of his organization, for the efficient work done by them in saving his property at the fire on Water street on Friday night. But for their noble efforts, all of my son's savings for years would have ended in smoke and thousands of other valuable property destroyed. Respectfully,
feb 28 1t* HANS A. KURE.

Europe.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO join a select, limited party of ladies and gentlemen for travel through Europe in the coming summer. The tour embraces Scotland, England, France, Switzerland, Italy, Germany (the Rhine), and Holland. Apply at once for membership and full particulars to Rev. C. L. Hoffmann, Charlotte, N. C.
feb 7 tf sun

Concert.

THE LADIES OF ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL Church will give a Concert for the benefit of the church at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Tuesday evening, March 2nd. The people of Wilmington are especially requested to give their patronage on this effort to pay off the debt on St. Paul's. thr sun feb 25 2t

Executrix Notice.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTRIX of the last Will and Testament of J. Ira Maunder, deceased, I hereby notify all persons indebted to my said testator to make immediate payment to me, and those to whom my said testator is indebted will present their claims to me before the 21th day of February, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This the 20 h day of February, 1897.
MARTHA F. MAUNDER, Executrix.
A. J. MARSHALL, Attorney.
feb 21 6w

Coffee.

50 Bags Coffee.
100 Barrels B. R. Potatoes.
25 Bags White Potatoes.
100 Bags Rice.
700 Barrels Flour.
40 Barrels Sugar.

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Keep Something Nice for the Little Folks.

They have just received shipments of Babies' first SHOES (soft) as well as various kinds of other Infant Shoes. Also KNEE PROTECTORS for little folks, which saves the Mamas so much vexatious darning and mending of stockings at the knees $1.50 for choice in our window. Take a look! Respectfully,

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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 28, 1897

TARIFF FOR REVENUE.

The excuse the Republicans have for patching up another tariff is that we must have a tariff that will bring in revenue enough to meet the expenses of the Government, and save the Treasury from deficits. This is, of course, greatly to be desired, but this is a mere pretext to put on higher tariff duties for the benefit of the manufacturers, like Hanna and others who contributed their money to the Republican campaign fund last Fall, and previous to that to the Hanna fund which was used to secure the nomination of William McKinley, the gentleman who will be inaugurated President next Thursday.

They say we must have a tariff which will bring in annually from $60,000,000 to $100,000,000 more than the present tariff does, which means that they intend to levy a tax of that much on the American people and in addition to that about twice as much more which will go into the coffers of the protected. We have had experience enough with these tariffs to know that where the Government gets a dollar in duties the protected get twice or three times as much out of the American people who have to pay a higher price for every protected article they buy, so that practically the people not only make up the deficiency in revenue but pay out a great deal more to the gentlemen who are thinking much more of themselves than they are of Uncle Sam's Treasury.

If it was their honest purpose to prevent deficits, and supply the Government with the necessary revenue, and they had no other motive hidden under this, they could very easily accomplish that by increasing the tax on malt liquors, whiskey, cigars, tobacco, imported wines, and other luxuries, and by an income tax, and thus raise the revenue needed without imposing hardship on any one. There are none of the articles here mentioned which could not stand an increase of taxation, while an income tax would be less felt than any that could be imposed, and one that is the most equitable of all taxes, because it is levied in proportion of the taxed to pay. The man with $100,000 income is as well able to pay as the man with a $1,000 income is, though his tax be 100 times as great. This is a tax imposed only in proportion to one's ability to pay, and is, therefore, the most reasonable and just form of taxation.

But it isn't so much a tariff for revenue the new tariff makers want as a tariff for protection, a tariff for the benefit of the men who have been contributing their money to keep the Republican party in power and look for their compensation to such legislation as this. It was men like these and others who had accumulated large fortunes who opposed the income tax provision attached to the Wilson bill, and finally secured a decision of the Supreme Court against it by a majority of one, or four to three, and this by the change of one vote which has never yet been satisfactorily explained. If that income tax had been permitted to stand there would probably have been no deficit, or a small one if any, for it would have yielded by this time about $40,000,000, and if strictly enforced more than that. This was counted on in estimating the receipts under the Wilson tariff, and the failure of this caused the deficit from which the Treasury now suffers. When it comes to taxing the people, however, the toiling millions, not only to make good the deficit, but to put much more into the money boxes of the protected favorites, that is all right from their standpoint.

But why hasn't it occurred to some of these patriotic statesmen who are so much concerned about the condition of the Treasury and the financial honor of the country that they would, as Senator Sherman said in the Senate, tax the shirts on the backs of the people "to preserve the national credit," why, we ask, hasn't it occurred to any of them to see if they can't devise some way to cut down Government expenses and thus avert the necessity of raising more revenue by onerous taxation? That doesn't seem to have ever occurred to them, for they have an idea that this is a "billion dollar country," as Speaker Reed said in 1890, and in their expenditures have lived up to that, both in theory and practice. They laughed at and ridiculed men who protested against their extravagance then, and although they were severely rebuked for this extravagance by the people at the two subsequent elections, they still look on it as "a billion dollar country" and make no honest effort to get below the billion dollar mark.

This Congress has gone $45,000,000 above it, notwithstanding the fact that Speaker Reed, who still has Presidential aspirations and hopes to succeed Mr. McKinley, tried to keep expenditures down because he feared the consequences of letting them run up.

It costs nearly three times as much *per capita* to conduct the Government now as it did in 1860. It is true that this is partly due to pension and other expenditures resulting from the war, but deducting these it costs fully double as much. And yet there is no serious effort made to reduce expenses, but on the contrary the tendency is to steadily increase them.

MINOR MENTION.

Governor Russell isn't having the most enjoyable picnic these days, unless he enjoys being in a stew, and there seems to be some one near him all the time to get him in a stew, on account of their own stupidity or for some other reason. Not long ago he got into a tangle with a colored representative in which he was charged with undignified abuse of his official position, and Friday he was charged by a white solon from Yancey county with having attempted to bribe him with "a bribe of the lowest order," too, not worth more than $1.500 a year. And then he has got into a tangle with the bolting Pops by his failure to appoint hungry, willing and anxious W. R. Henry to the judgeship made vacant by the resignation of Judge Meares. We understand the worry that all this, supplemented by his efforts to break the lease of the North Carolina road must have caused him, but all this is no excuse for neglecting his duty in failing to appoint a successor to Judge Meares. He knew that Halifax Court could not be held until he appointed a judge. He knew the jail was full of prisoners awaiting trial, he knew that the county was at considerable expense in supporting these prisoners, and yet to placate hungry aspirants, to play politics as he saw it, he permits these prisoners, some of whom may be innocent of the charges against them, to lie in jail, and the county to be put to the expense of feeding them, that he might harmonize the janglers and find some way to placate and compromise with the factions behind the bonegrabbers. In thus playing politics at the expense of those prisoners and of the county of Halifax Governor Russell has been guilty of an outrageous neglect of duty.

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The release of Sanguilly, the American citizen whose case has been subject of animated discussion in the United States Senate for the past several days, does not or should not end that incident. He was arrested two years ago on the charge of being a rebel, and has twice been convicted and twice sentenced to imprisonment for life. There was no intimation that his sentence would be revoked, or that he would meet with any consideration or mercy until his case was taken up in the Senate and a resolution offered demanding his release. Then it was stated that a pardon had been granted before this resolution was introduced. He has since been released from prison. It is claimed by his friends that the charge on which he was convicted was not proven and that, therefore, he was unlawfully and unjustly convicted and condemned. If he was guilty why was he pardoned if not through fear of invoking the hostile action of this Government? That motive was cowardly. If not guilty what was there to pardon? He was either guilty or not guilty. If guilty Spain has shown contemptible cowardice in "pardoning" and releasing him. If he was not guilty she has made an exhibition of brutality in prosecuting, and unlawfully condemning the man by courts that have no respect for law. In either event his release should not end the incident and this Government should insist on full reparation.

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It is a somewhat remarkable fact that many of the leading Republican papers of the East are severely criticising the Trust Investigating Committee of the New York Legislature, which has been pursuing its investigations for some time, and are showing their sympathy with and devotion to the Trusts, which they seem to regard as benefactors of the people. It is not hard to understand this, for most of these papers are more or less under the influence of the Trusts if they are not absolutely owned by them. In addition to this the Trusts are the progeny of the Republican party, whose legislation has made them possible and encouraged them. They have become a mighty power, mighty enough to control elections, legislatures and Congresses, and mighty enough to ignore or defy the laws that are made to restrain them. They are to the detriment of the public because they are monopolies which control the prices of the raw materials, the prices of what they sell, and the prices of labor, and thus have the public in their power and at their mercy. A Trust was never heard of until the protective policy was established, and they will continue to exist while that system lasts.

Gen. Weyler may yet lose the distinction he has achieved of being the greatest of modern human butchers The English army in Africa claims to have captured the private executioner of the King of Ashanti, whose business it was to dispose of every one that the King didn't like and wished removed. It is estimated that this old fellow has killed, with his own hand, somewhere between 30,000 and 50,000 people, from which it may be inferred that he didn't have much time to devote to serious matters.

People buy Hood's Sarsaparilla year after year because it does them good. It will do you good to take it now. t

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Rockingham *Rocket*: We learn with regret of the sudden death of Mrs. Boles, the wife of Robert Boles, which occurred in upper Richmond last Saturday.

— Wadesboro *Messenger*: Mr. Tug Caudle, who is a citizen of Lanesboro township, suffered the loss of his barn and stables by fire Sunday night. Mr. Caudle is confident the fire was the work of an incendiary.

— Wilson *Times*: Many of our people will be pained to hear of the death of Mrs. A. S. Copeland, formerly of this city, but at the time of her death a resident of Kinston. Mrs. Copeland was a Miss Hattie Wooten, of La Grange; but when married came to this city to live.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: Mr. Thomas W. Manning died at his home in Scotland Neck, Thursday morning, February 18, 1897, aged 61 years. Deceased was among the first settlers of Scotland Neck proper. He came from Virginia and settled here nearly twenty five years ago, and had lived here all the time to his death.

— Elizabeth City *Economist*: Departed this life in Perquimans county, near Woodville, on Sunday morning early, Dr. Richard H. Blount, aged 65 years. Dr. Blount was a prominent citizen of Perquimans county, conspicuous for his courteous and courtly manners, kindly disposition and generous hospitality.

— Sanford *Express*: The indications are that there will be a large cotton crop planted in this section this spring. Several of the merchants of Sanford and Jonesboro have gone into the fertilizer business on a large scale. They probably learned from the farmers that there would be a demand for it before they purchased it. —— Mr. William Riddle, who lives near Poplar Springs Church, four miles east of Sanford, had his dwelling and contents destroyed by fire last Friday. The fire first caught in a room where there had been no fire in twelve months. Nothing was saved except two feather beds. The smoke house and contents were also destroyed.

— Rocky Mount *Phœnix*: We regret to note the death of Mrs. W E. Bernard, of Bertie county, relict of the late Dr. S. A. Bernard. She was aged 68 years. —— Joel Price, a highly esteemed and respected old gentleman of the Red Oak section, died several days since, aged 82 years. —— We regret to note the death several days since of Mr. T. A. Arrington, a very estimable gentleman, of the Gold Rock section. —— We regret to note the death of Mr. Samuel H. Thorne, aged 72 years, which occurred at his residence a few miles below Rocky Mt. in Edgefield county. Mr. Thorne's mother is still living at the age of 97. She had four sons in both the Mexican and our late civil war. Two of them are now living, aged 74 and 76.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— There is still much uncertainty as to the idenlity of the African in the Cretan wood-pile, but there is a general suspicion that there is one there.—*Phil. Ledger, Ind.*

—— It is proposed in several States to make train wreckers a hanging offence whether death is caused by the wreck or not. Good. There is no legal punishment too heavy for a train wrecker.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— The cigarette manufactories which compose the Tobacco Trust put in their "good will" at something like $20,000,00) along with about $5,000,000 worth of stock. And yet there are would-be purchasers of country newspapers who insist to the editors compelled to sell out that "good will" does not amount to anything and ought not to be counted with the assets.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— It was sure to come! After the authorization of the Department of Agriculture and the creation of a new office for a new member of the Cabinet a demand for more departments and more members of the Cabinet was as much to be expected as the growth of an oak after planting an acorn. It is said to be a thing already determined upon to create the Department of Commerce and Manufactures. But there is no more necessity for such a prospective ad dition to the executive parap hernalia at Washington than there is for a fur overcoat for the Goddess of Liberty on top of the Capitol.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

—Muggins—"Is your son in business?" Juggins—"He's a contractor." Muggins—"What line?" Juggins—"Debts"—*Tit-Bits.*

— He—"That is just like a woman—reading the end of a novel first. It seems to be the nature of women to jump at a conclusion."

She—"I didn't jump in this case. I skipped."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— She—"Yes, they are engaged. I know she refused him twice, but the third time he proposed she accepted him."

Her Husband—"Serves him right."—*Harlem Life.*

— "My tailor has promised to have my clothes done to-morrow."

"Do you think he'll give them to you on time?"

"Oh, no; I'll have to pay cash.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Johnnie's Teacher—"And now, Johnnie, tell me what the last commandment is."

Johnnie(a street-car tourist)—"Please don't spit on the floor.'"—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— "The weather bureau predicts light snow," said Mrs. Cityman, reading from the newspaper.

"Well, I'll bet a cookie it will be dark-brown, as usual," replied Mr. Cityman.—*N. Y. World.*

—Disgraced—"Is that report true about the cashier of the Confidence Bank committing suicide?" "It is poor fellow. He was caught when he had embezzled only $1,200 The disgrace was more than he could bear."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

—"Do you think that it prolongs a man's life to be insured?" "Yes," replied the man who had just been interviewed by an agent, "it does something toward keeping him from being talked to death."—*Answers.*

—"Yes," said Bluebeard in explanation, "it became a sort of habit. The first one, though, got it because of a propensity she had for making puns in connection with the color of my whiskers and the wind."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

IF I HAD KNOWN.

ROSA PEARLE

If, when I looked the last time on thy face,
The thought had come, it never more I'd see;
If warning voice had come and to me told
Full soon I'd weep in agony for thee.

I would have held thee in a fond embrace,
And while my heart with lovingness was stirred,
Pressed kisses on thy red and trembling lips,
And sought forgiveness for each harsh word.

I would have smoothed thy gold-brown hair away
From thy white forehead, wide and low;
And looking long beneath its lid of pearl
Have caught heart-sunshine from the eyes below.

I would have wept such tears as only fall
When grief is master and the light has fled;
Have told my love into thy hearing ear
And waited not till thou wert deaf and dead.

But O, thro' my dulled mind it never passed
That life for thee so soon would ended be,
Thy voice be hushed, thy busy hands be stilled,
And thou gone far from life and love and me.

We are so blind to all the future holds,
So full content within our present bliss,
We do not think how sad 'twould be to lose
The sweet caress, our precious loved one's kiss.

And yet—I know we two are not apart—
And 'bove the stars thou'lt wait beside the shore;
Thou'lt wait and watch, forgiving all the past,
And love me, sweet, as in the days of yore.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— The prayer that starts on a Bible promise flies on the wings of faith.

— The preaching that is aimed at the head generally misses the heart.

— God made visible things to teach us of better things that are in visible.

— There are thousands of promises in the Bible, but not one of them was put there to make a loafer happy.

— "The Bible is a mosaic—every part of it contributing to Him who is its source and center, Jesus Christ."—*Cullom.*

— People glory in all sorts of bravery except the bravery they might show on behalf of their nearest neighbor.—*George Eliot.*

— An eternity behind you waited for you to begin to live; an eternity before you is waiting to see how you are living.—*Dr. Chas. Taylor.*

— "Study the history of the Jews; study the land where they lived; study with the mind, with the eyes, and the heart, if you would know God's Word.—*W. R. Cullom.*

— "I believe a man can serve the Lord at the ballot box and in the halls of legislation, and our young men should be looking for opportunities to serve Him thus."—*Dr. Barron.*

— I have long since ceased to pray, "Lord Jesus, have compassion on a lost world." I remember the day and the hour when I seemed to hear the Lord rebuking me for making such a prayer. He seemed to say to me, "I have had compassion upon a lost world and now it is time for you to have compassion."—*A. I. Gordan*

— It is an old admonition, but it cannot be too frequently repeated. Be your best at home in dress, manners and spirit. Life is too short to waste its holy hours in criticism, fault-finding and unkind words and acts. Only a few brief years do family circles remain unbroken by the invasion of marriages, removals, or deaths and, if our retrospect of the time spent together is to be a precious memory, let its hours be filled with all that is loving and generous and noble.—*Evening Messenger.*

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine for any season, but perhaps more generally needed, when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and $1.00 per bottle at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

Robert Schumann and His Wife.

In his sensitivness to feminine charms Robert Schumann was excelled by none of the composers. The English type of beauty moved him to ecstasy, but he was catholic in his taste and made no secret to his fiancee of his delight in all the pretty faces he saw. "They make me positively smirk," he wrote to her, "and I swim in panegyrics on your sex. Consequently, if at some future time we walk along the streets of Vinne and meet a beauty and I exclaim, 'Oh, Clara, see this heavenly vision!' or something of the sort, you must not be alarmed nor scold me!" The caution may or may not have had a touch of seriousness in it, but in any case it was needless.

How full of delight was their wedded life! What a true helpmeet Mme. Schumann was to her husband, especially when, from the injury to his hand, he was incapacitated from playing, and how much his fame after his death was prompted by her interpretations of his pieces, all the world knows.—Blackwood's Magazine.

A Remedy For Cramp.

The following is a simple and certain cure for cramp: When the cramp comes on, take a thin piece of cord, wind it round the leg over the place in which the pain is felt and take an end in each hand and give it a sharp pull, one that will hurt a little. The cramp will cease instantly, and the sufferer can go to bed assured that it will not come back again that night.

The iron crown of Lombardy takes its name from the fact that within the gold circlet is a strip of iron, supposed to be made of one of the nails of the cross. Napoleon was crowned with this symbol at his coronation as king of Italy.

The rose, the national flower of England, is symbolic of superior merit. It is said that this symbolism was popularly used as early as the war of York and Lancaster, generally known as the War of the Roses.

WOMAN AND HOME.

A PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER IN HER YOUTH AND OLD AGE.

How Some English Women Dress—The Cry of the Baby—When Should Girls Marry?—Decorating the Bedroom—A Typical Ouida Heroine.

Of the living children of presidents of the United States Mrs. Letitia Tyler Semple, daughter of President John Tyler, is the oldest. She is now in the Louise home, which was founded by W. W. Corcoran for just such women as she.

Mrs. Semple was born in 1823, soon after the White House was built. She was

MRS. LETITIA TYLER SEMPLE.

lady of the White House in the forties and has grown old with the executive mansion. She is as good to look at in her ripe age as is the old White House itself. She has kept in touch with the times and talks about current questions as well as she talks upon the annexation of Texas and the questions of President Tyler's day.

The daughter of President Tyler was very young when she became the mistress of the White House upon the death of Mrs. Tyler. She was not 22 years old, and she had been only four years married to James A. Semple. The portrait of her by Healy, which was painted during her father's administration, shows an attractive and graceful young woman. Her recollections of the administration, of the simplicity of the home life, her long daily drives with her father over a part of the country that is filled with residences now and of the president's delight in her Scotch songs, are very interesting.

Mrs. Semple was a heroine during the civil war. The first hospital in the Confederate states was established by her, and she set the example which was followed by many of the ladies belonging to the best families in the south who left their homes and went into the hospitals to nurse the wounded. Mrs. Semple was one of the sufferers from the civil war, and her beautiful old home was destroyed.

After the peace this daughter of President Tyler established a school in Balti-

AS LADY OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

more under the title of the Eclectic institute. She is proud of the success of some of her pupils, among whom she counts Mollie Elliott Sewall, the well known writer and dramatist.

Mrs. Semple is the last survivor of the children of President Tyler, having outlived six brothers and sisters.—Chicago Record.

How Some English Women Dress.

It is strange that nearly all literary women dress badly. Mrs. Campbell-Praed and Mrs. Stannard are two brilliant exceptions. Mrs. Praed wears gowns of the most recherche description. In the evening she affects rich, delicate brocades. Her gowns are cut in a simple fashion, but they are always rather decollete. Mrs. Praed's day dresses are modest and ladylike in tone. Mrs. Stannard dresses smartly, although her style is a trifle severe.

She does not follow all the flights of fashion. Mrs. Stannard is fond of quiet shades, and in the evening generally gives black the preference. Anything in the way of flummery she detests.

Her day dresses are always tailor made—well built, without a crease or a wave anywhere. Mrs. Stannard does not waste money on clothes. She is not ashamed to admit that a few seasons ago—before she was so well off as she is now—she did 80 parties in two frocks.

Marie Corelli dresses fairly well. Being very petite, she goes in for simple dresses. Light blue and pale pink are colors that become her well. She wears both, and sometimes comes out all in white. She has a little white hand with which she is very fond of laying down the law.

She believes thoroughly in the "beauty sleep," and nothing on earth would keep her out of bed after 12 o'clock.

Literary women have mostly something chacteristic about their clothes. Some of them go in heavily for jewelry, one or two show a partiality for old lace, and one lady is renowned for wearing high colors. At private views and other shows she generally makes a target of herself.

Mrs. Lynn Linton always has on a black gown and a white cap when she is at home. She wears rich stuffs—silk, velvet, brocade and the like.

The most charitably disposed person could not say that Miss Braddon ever wears nice clothes. She likes solid colors and affects velvet. Her gowns have many furbelows about them. She wears large diamond earrings with evening dress. Miss Braddon is a first rate housekeeper.

Ouida dresses absurdly. She strives after juvenility always. Her hair she wears in a curly crop, bound by bands of ribbon.

Mrs. Walford is every inch a dowager in her attire. She likes heliotrope, and the rich, heavy materials she goes in for would look better in curtains than in dresses. Mrs. Walford is an accomplished woman.

Miles Standish and John Alden.

Captain Miles Standish, the man not of words, but of actions, did not capture the Puritan maiden Priscilla, but John Alden did—after awhile. The first wife of Standish—Rose—had died Jan. 24, 1621, and after this unhappy arm's length courtship the captain married Barbara, the younger sister of his dead wife. When he made his will, he left his property to his widow and four sons—Alexander, Miles, Joseas and Charles—and to his daughter Lora.

John Alden married Priscilla Mullins, and the next generation of the two families intermarried, and from them and the children who married otherwise have descended a great army of American people who are glad they are of Puritan stock, and especially that they are of the Standish and Alden strains. On the Kennebec they have a family association of Standishes as well as in Massachusetts and in New York. In Androscoggin, Franklin, Oxford and Cumberland counties we are constantly running across people who are proud that they are Standishes or Aldens. To give a list of each descendant or to mention every family would fill a series of books.—Lewiston Journal.

In California a bushel of buckwheat is 40 pounds, and from this figure the range is upward in various states to 56 pounds in South Carolina.

Letters from New York to Belize will be delivered in nine days from the date of mailing.

A red sunrise indicates foul weather at some time during the day.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27. 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13. 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27. 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10. 11.

Wholesale Prices Current.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	8
Standard		@	5¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	13	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4½@		5
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	4½
BARRELS—Spirit & Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEES WAX ℔ ℔	25	@	94
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	35	@	40
Virginia Meal	40	@	4¼
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	95
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE ℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	11	@	18
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS— ℔ dozen		@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@20 00	
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@10 00	
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@18 00	
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@ " 00	
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@14 00	
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@3 50	
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@6 50	
N C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@3 25	
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		@	10
" Extra	3 25	@3 50	
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@3 75	
Choice		@4 00	
Straight	4 75	@5 00	
Fine Patent	5 50	@5 75	
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½@		8¼
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White	40	@	42½
Car load, in bags—White	38	@	39
Oats, from store	30	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	45	@	
Cow Peas	75	@	85
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	14
Dry		@	18
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Eastern		@	1 00
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		@	3
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½@		6
North Carolina	5	@	10
LIME ℔ barrel	1 15	@1 25	
LUMBER(c y sawed) ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff reserved	18 00	@	2000
Rough-edge Plank	13 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Planed Flooring, sanded	18 00	@	20 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hhds		@	28
" " in bbls		@	30
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	30
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	13	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	15	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 75	@1 85	
PORK, ℔ ℔ brl—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	8 75
Prime		@	8 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	10
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	60
Ashton		@	
American		@	40
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40	@	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	3 00	@	4 00
Common	1 60	@	2 00
Cypress Saps	1 50	@	3 00
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu		@	5¾
Standard A		@	5¼
White Ex C		@	5¼
Ex C, Golden	4	@	4¾
Yellow		@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔, Northern	5M	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M W. O. barrel	3 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping—		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	5 50	@	6 00
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4	@	4½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, February 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 27½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 27 cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market quiet at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quiet. Hard $1 30, Soft 1 80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady, 27@26½c; rosin, firm, $1 25, 1 30; tar steady, 90c; crude turpentine nominal, nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	20
Rosin	752
Tar	902
Crude Turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year—46 casks spirits turpentine, 382 bbls rosin, 145 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6⅞c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¼	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	5⅜	" "
Low Middling	6¼	" "
Middling	6⅞	" "
Good Middling	7 3-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7¼c.

Receipts—95 bales; same day last year, 297.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 55@60c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 65@67½c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 40 to 42 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS,

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 27—Evening.—Money on call 1½@1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper was 3 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady; actual business in bankers bills at 485@485¼ for sixty days, and 487@487¼ for demand. Commercial bills 483½@484¼. Government bonds were strong; United States coupon fours 113; United States twos 95½. State bonds were dull; North Carolina fours 109; North Carolina sixes 123. Railroad bonds firm.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 27—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7 7-16c.

Cotton futures—market closed firm; March 7 17, April 7 31 May 7 36, June 7 31, July 7 35 August 7 37, September 7 00, October 6 89, November 6 93, December 6 97. Sales 111,300 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 480 bales; gross 2,800 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 354 bales; forwarded 877 bales; sales 1,847 bales; sales to spinners 147 bales; stock 366,118 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 18,109 bales; exports to Great Britain 16,891 bales; to France 8,000 bales; to the Continent 6,100 bales; stock 892,000 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,907,975 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,545,386 bales; exports to France 563,948 bales; exports to the Continent 1,491,249 bales; to the Channel 5,481 bales.

Flour dull, steady and unchanged; Southern dull, steady and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 30@3 50; good to choice $3 60@4 00. Wheat—spot market dull and firm; No. 2 red free on board 88⅜c; ungraded 74@89c; options opened firm and advanced ⅜@⅝c, fell ⅜@⅝c and closed steady at unchanged prices, with trading dull; No 2 red March 80⅜c; April 80¾c; May 79⅞c, June 79¾c July 78¼c; September 75⅝. Corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 28½c at elevator and 29½c afloat; low mixed 28¼c. options were dull and firm at unchanged prices, May 29¾c; July 30¾c. Oats—spot dull but steady; options easier dull; May 21¼; spot prices—No. 2, 21¼c; No. 2 white 23@23¼c; mixed Western 21@23c Lard was quiet and steady; Western steam $4 35, city $3 95; May $4 37, refined lard was dull. Continental $4 45; South American $4 65, compound $4 00 @4 25. Pork was quiet and steady; new mess $8 25@8 75. Butter quiet; choice steady; State dairy 10@18c; do. creamery 13@18c; Elgins 19c. Eggs were quiet; State and Pennsylvania 17½c; ice house, per case $3 00@3 75; Western fresh 16¾c. Southern 16@16½c. Cotton seed oil dull but steady, crude 20@20½c; yellow 23½@24c. Rice firm, demand good and unchanged. Molasses was steady and unchanged Peanuts quiet; fancy hand picked 3¾c. Coffee was steady and unchanged to 5 points down: March $9 05 @9 10; July $9 20; September $9 25 October $9 25; spot Rio dull but steady; No. 7 $9 63½. Sugar—raw dull but steady; fair refining 3 13 16@3¾c; centrifugals, 96 test 4¼c; refined dull and unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Cash quotations. Flour was dull quotations unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 73@73½c; No. 3 spring 73½@73c by sample; No. 2 red 84@84½c. Corn—No. 2, 23½@23¾. Oats—No. 2 16@16½c. Mess pork $7 95@8 00. Lard $4 00. Short rib sides, loose $3 00@4 25. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 50@4 75. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 25@4 37½. Whiskey $1 17.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—February 73¼ 73½@73⅝ 73¾ @73, 73½c; May 74¼@74¾ 74¾@74⅝ 74⅝@74, 74½c; July 71¾ 73¼ 71¾ 73¼@73½c; September 69¾ 70¾ 69¾ 70¾c. Corn—February 23¾, 23¾@23¾, 23¼@23½, 23¾@23¼c; May 23¾, 23¾ @24, 23¾@23⅝, 23½@24c; July 24⅜@ 25, 25@25¼; September 26¾ 26¾ 26¼ 26¼@26¾c. Oats—No 2 February 15¾, 15¾, 15¾, 15½c; May 16¾, 17, 16¾@ @16¾, 16¾@17c; July 17¾@17¾ 17¾ @18, 17¾, 17¾@18c. Mess pork—May $8 07½, 8 13½, 8 07½ 8 10, July $8 20, 8 20, 8 20, 8 20. Lard—May $4 07½, 4 10, 4 07½ 4 07½; July $4 17½ 4 20, 4 17½, 4

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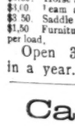

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A CATECHISM.

What bends men's figures to an S?
The bicycle.
While ladies ride with gracefulness?
The bicycle.
And what makes Daphne with alarm,
From sudden spill foreboding harm,
Yield her slim waist to a man's arm?
The bicycle.

What makes Amanda save and scrape?
The bicycle.
Till she can buy the latest shape?
The bicycle.
What makes a joint last days on days,
Turned and returned in sundry ways
Of hash, rissoles and rechauffes?
The bicycle.

What plays the deuce with Yankee trade?
The bicycle.
What's now the only "notion" made?
The bicycle.
What makes the carriage builder slack?
What cheapens cob and nag and hack,
While the financiers boom and crack?
The bicycle.

What turns the scholar to a dunce?
The bicycle.
He rides (he used to study once)
The bicycle.
Why are neurotic novels shut,
And minor poets all uncut,
And everything neglected but
The bicycle?
—St. James Gazette.

A QUEER ELOPEMENT.

"Well, yes, that's about all it amounts to—a peon's hut. However, Augustinita will always give you a cup of excellent coffee. And when the trains are late in either direction, you have no alternative but to accept the hospitality of 'old mamma,' as the railroad men call her." And my pleasant acquaintance of an hour or so led me to the small entrance of a hut thatched with tules. The little mud structure was built against the face of a hill. There were birdcages filled with a variety of beautiful birds and such other evidences of civilization as a goat, a turkey and jardinieres of flowers, yet the habitation belonged to the age of the cave dwellers, I decided, as I groped my way apparently into the bowels of the earth.

After a few moments my eyes grew accustomed to the half light, and I could see quite well.

"Wow-wow-wow!" growled a heavy bass voice from the inner room. The words were indistinguishable.

"What a deep voice that man has!" I said innocently. "Mexican men, as a rule, have such light voices!"

"That's not a man; it's Augustinita," replied my friend.

I am acquainted with that pleasant little custom of Mexico which holds to childhood's tender diminutives long after old age has fallen on one. Still, I confess, Augustinita—which would be "dear little Gussie" in English—was a slight shock. She was of huge bulk, and her old face was like a withered, brown apple for wrinkles; but her eyes were as bright as stars in a tropic sky and she had on that old countenance a most shrewd expression.

Augustinita delivered our orders to some one in the farther cave—I cannot call it a room—in her rumbling bass, put her long, brown cheroot back in her mouth and waddled behind a mat made from reeds hung from the ceiling. She brought out a clean, white cloth, which she spread with care, and on that put some American plates and cups and a Guadalajara water bottle. I sat on a long bench drawn close to the table, watching the old woman.

"I want you to take a good look at Manuela when she comes in. She is quite a belle with the men who eat here," said my friend, who had told me his name was Stacey.

Manuela came in and went out again that moment. I was almost startled by her face. "Why, she's a beauty," I said.

"She has a good figure," said my companion, with assumed indifference, "but you get a straight look at her, and you won't think her such a beauty."

If long, red braids, soft, brown skin and limpid, gray eyes can make beauty, then was Manuela beautiful. On closer examination, however, her face lost much of its beauty, so coarse was her red mouth and so hard and bold her expression.

She switched her skirts and put her hands on her hips and her head to one side, after a fashion I had known but not loved well in time gone by.

"I could weep for very home sickness, she is so like the waiter girls in the frontier towns, if she had more bang and bustle," I said.

Mr. Stacey smiled.

"I mean more slap and dash. She is so quiet," I exclaimed hurriedly, seeing the construction he was putting on "bang and bustle."

After looking at his watch my companion said: "We have yet an hour to wait. I'll tell you about Manuela's elopement."

So, while eating calabassas, chile con carne and frijoles fritos with "old mamma" sitting in the corner, her glittering eyes the only live thing about her, with Manuela flirting in and out, bringing the highly seasoned Mexican dishes and bestowing soft, furtive smiles on my comrade, I heard of the elopement of Manuela.

"Branscombe, one of the men who used to eat here, fell in love with Manuela's red braids and buxom figure. It was reciprocated by her, but 'old mamma' hated him and never winked her little rattlesnake eyes when he was round. He was a rough sort of fellow, and, it was said, had a wife or so and a lot of children up in the States, but as that cuts no ice here in Mexico he kept right on making love to Manuela. He was greatly annoyed by Augustinita, who was ever to the fore and would not efface herself. So one night he got the girl to run away with him on a south bound freight—queer vehicle for an elopement, a freight train!

"Augustinita reached the station just as the train pulled out. She was almost frothing with rage and went stamping round the platform, calling on all the Aztec gods for assistance.

"She calmed down after a time and asked the night operator's advice, and he told her that the only way to catch her daughter was to hire an engine and follow on that.

"'Old mamma' took fire at once and sent a message to the superintendent asking for an engine. They wired back, 'Yes,' if she would pay $100 for the first hour and $50 for each succeeding hour. Pretty steep, but, you see, they cinched her because she was a pilao. Pilao is derived from pilado—peeled, without clothes or anything else. They knew Augustinita had quite a bit of money put away, and it is the proper thing to keep the pilaos true to their name and caste—peeled.

"Augustinita was blooded. She bit her teeth down on her cheroot and said, 'Send for it.'

"In about two hours the engine came thundering in from Aguas Calientes. Tom Haskins was the pilot, and the engineer was one of the best on the extra list.

"The road was clear for a half dozen stations, and they went whizzing along, 80 kilometers an hour.

"'Old mamma' sat stolidly looking out of the cab window, apparently unmoved by the tremendous speed and the lurching of the engine as they tore round the short curves, but Haskins thought she must have been greatly excited, because she was unable to keep her cheroot lighted. Finally she tired of trying to smoke and simply clamped her jaws on her puro and sat immovable, with her beady eyes fastened on the rails ahead.

"They met the passenger train in the early morning, and, as word had gone from one end of the line to the other, of course the trainmen had informed the passengers, and, with heads out of windows and the platforms crowded, they cheered and laughed as the engine ran by. One wag shouted: 'Hurry, and you'll catch them. They're just round the bend!'

"Not 20 minutes later, at the next station, was the freight train, humbly side tracked, waiting the enemy.

"They had had a terrible time assisting Augustinita in the cab. You can see for yourself she weighs about 275, and clumsy at that. Haskins and the engineer pulled, and the fireman, who was a Mexican, pushed, and Augustinita struggled and grunted and finally was landed. But when she saw the yellow caboose she frisked out like a kitten. The engineer, who is a spiritualist, said that the spirits helped her. Haskins said he would have been much more grateful to them if they had helped her in, but he thought they showed good sense in taking the easy end of the job.

"Haskins was afraid Branscombe would shoot or abuse the old woman in some way, so he went with her to the caboose. The two were sitting on a sort of locker. He had his arm about the girl, and, beyond rising, they made no change in their position. Haskins, on the platform, hovered near the open door.

"Augustinita walked up to them and asked Manuela in her politest basso to come home. The girl gave an impudent answer, and poor 'old mamma' turned to Branscombe, who laughed in her face and gave Manuela a fervent kiss. Later in the day the thought of that kiss and others made Branscombe's blood turn to ice.

"Now, Augustinita had followed her daughter because she loved her and wished to save her from the fate Branscombe had in store for her. Besides she is a thrifty old body, and Manuela's beauty brings a great many centavos to the house. Many of the men eat here merely to get a look in her big gray eyes.

"At Branscombe's laugh Augustinita burst out: 'Caramba! No more will you laugh this day! Look!'

"With a surprisingly quick movement she pulled off Manuela's chal and tore open her high necked camisa. Branscombe gave one glance and staggered heavily against the wall.

"'Keep away!' he screamed, with outstretched hands. 'For God's sake, keep away! Don't let her come near me! I'll hit you if you touch me!' as the girl endeavored to catch at him, pleading with him in her soft tongue.

"Branscombe, mad with fear, was deaf. Although he had threatened to strike her he did not do it, for it would bring his flesh in contact with hers. The terror stricken man, shaking her off, ran out of the car and down the track.

"Manuela covered her breast and walked sulkily back with her mother to the engine.

"Haskins said it was an awful sight—those shining, livid, white blotches on the brown skin, a sight he could not forget for many a day."

I rose, sick and trembling. That was one of the loathsome sights of Mexico to which I could never accustom myself, and the thrill of horror I had felt on seeing the first white patched, frosty headed leper returned.

"Don't get frightened, madam," said my friend, eating his salsa with gusto. "'Old mamma' had just painted Manuela up in her sleep. If she had been a leper, Branscombe would have been welcome to her. Do you think that old lady would spend $300 recovering damaged goods?"

I looked at "old mamma," sitting on the earth floor comfortably smoking, and she looked back with her diamond eyes, and I thought it not likely.—Edith Wagner in Argonaut.

Phenol Dressings.

The medical experts report several mishaps from the imprudent use of phenol dressing which were recently brought to the attention of the Paris Academie de Medecine. In one of the cases quoted in Paris a cook, after wounding her thumb in cleansing a pane of glass and after keeping it dressed two days with a 2 per cent solution of phenol, found that the second joint had become quite black, but in spite of the acute pain she continued to apply the solution. The caustic action was so rapid that four days from the beginning the second joint was black and shrunken, and subsequently dropped off. The Herald's foreign medical correspondent, commenting upon this result, says:

"The only means of protecting ourselves against accidents of this nature is to be well aware that strong carbolic solutions are not the only ones to be suspected; a phenol dressing 1 in 40, 50 or even 100, kept around a finger or toe for one, two or three days may cause more or less complete mortification of the whole or part of it, at any age and without any pathological predisposition, because the fact of being shut in by an impermeable wrapping gives to the dressing a degree of caustic power which the concentration of the solution would in no way lead us to expect."—New York Herald.

Public Debts of Europe.

According to the latest statistics, the public debts of the European nations aggregate $23,320,000,000, or about $64 per capita for the whole population. The heaviest per capita indebtedness, $160, is in Portugal. France comes next with $135. England's rate is about $106. Switzerland is the smallest, $5.

Card Marks.

It is conjectured by some writers on the subject that the marks upon the cards designating the four kinds in a pack were originally symbolical and intended to signify the different classes of society. According to this supposition, the hearts represented the clergy, spades the nobility, some old packs of cards bearing a sword or lance head instead of a spade; clubs the serfs, and diamonds the burghers or citizen classes.

IN A "BULLA-CARTA."

The Peculiar Vehicle In Use In the Island of Madeira.

The master at arms went out into the plaza and hired a bulla carta. A bulla carta is in reality a covered sled provided with curtains and drawn by two oxen. For the proper management of these vehicles, according to Portuguese ideas, two men are necessary. One goes ahead, in order to check any ambitious intentions on the part of the oxen, and apparently does the guiding. The duties of the other are harder to define. He receives the fare incidentally and urges on the oxen in those plaintive, wailing tones which he who has been to Madeira can never forget and which incline him to believe that the Portuguese language is one of lamentation. As Mr. Keegan tersely remarked, everything is "on skates" in Madeira. The streets of Funchal are paved with small lava blocks set on end and polished to a degree that makes walking dangerous to people who wear the shoes of civilization; hence the owners of the bulla cartas do a thriving business with foreigners, especially up the slope, where a false step is fraught with no inconsiderable consequences.

It was up the hillside, or rather up the first slopes of the mountain, that the villa to which the master at arms was going was situated. Few visit Madeira who do not take that delightful ride up the mountain on horseback and experience the delirium of the coast down, over the polished stones, in a wicker sled. Ascending, the traveler looks from his saddle over the high, yellow walls on each hand into inviting gardens of tropical luxuriance, their shade trees often completely arching the way over his head. But the master at arms cared nothing about looking into the gardens and had a sailor's prejudice against horses. He discreetly preferred the bulla carta. Even the picturesque procession of wine growers which he met coming down the mountain, with skins slung over their shoulders, made no more of an impression on him than if they had been a draft of new hands. He sat back behind the curtains of his bulla carta and smoked brown paper cigarettes and meditated on the gravity of his mission, and he wondered whether the senhora would look with favor on the plan. Only once, when he had to turn out for a fat ecclesiastic from the convent above, was he aroused from these reflections. The priest was descending at a pace which would have defied a trolley car, but he sat in his sled with as much equanimity as if he were pronouncing a benediction, his guide deftly balanced on the runners behind.—"Mr. Keegan's Elopement," by Winston Churchill, in Century.

Still She Smiled.

She swayed dizzily backward and forward and would have fallen had he not rushed forward and caught her just as she struck the edge of the counter.

Tenderly, yet firmly, his arm on which the sleeve of his new store coat hung in graceful wrinkles clasped her delicate waist, and with the other hand he caressed the waves of scented golden hair that had slipped over a little toward the left ear and mingled with his own perfumed locks.

"Carry her outside," said the proprietor, rushing forward and volunteering to put one of his own fingers in the pie if his presence were needed.

But the young man looked at him proudly.

"Leave her to me," he said, with great self control. "I can manage her."

He pressed the beautiful blond head close against his shoulder, carefully arranged the small white hands, lifted in his strong, protecting arms the dainty figure arrayed in its glorious costume of chiffon and silk and started for the door.

Once out in the warm, fresh air he relaxed his hold on the beautiful creature, but she tottered and trembled again, and the lovely face was turned toward him with a smile of bewitching trustfulness. He clasped the tapering waist once more, then planted her feet firmly in the iron sockets in the sidewalk and gave her an emphatic push to windward.

"Now, darn you," said he, "stand up, won't you?"

And the young man went calmly back into the store and the waxen woman who wore imported gowns kept on smiling.—Chicago Tribune.

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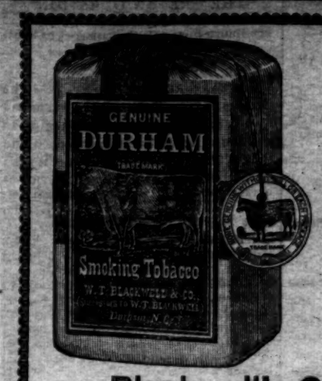

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DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.50 a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.46 p m, Rocky Mount 1.30 p m, Tarboro 2.50 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.14 p m, Richmond 6.50 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.55 a m, Philadelphia 3.40 a m, New York 6.55 a m, †Boston 8.00 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 9.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.46 p m, †Tarboro 0.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.55 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.34 a m, Richmond 4.30 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 2.05 p m, Boston 5.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.35 P M — No. 45—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.38 p m, Chadbourn 5.54 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.40 p m, Sumter 8.45 p m, Columbia 10.05 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 5.15 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.30 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 5.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 42—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.00 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.50 a m, Washington 6.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.13 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, leave Conway 2.25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 5.15 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.30 p m, Baltimore 3.25 p m, Washington 5.45 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 3.30 p m, Weldon 9.42 p m, †Tarboro 0.05 p m, Rocky Mount 0.40 a m, leave Wilson 1.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.00 a m, Warsaw 7.58 a m, Magnolia 8.16 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.35 a m, Sanford 3.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 8.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.45 p m, Denmark 4.36 p m, Sumter 6.46 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.38 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.30 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7.50 p m. Returning, leave Kinston 7.53 a m, Greenville 8.51 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11.32 a m, Weldon 11.47 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 6.30 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 5.40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 10.10 a m and 6.20 p m, arrives Washington 11.35 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.50 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.30 a m., Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 8.37 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10.35 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.55 p m, Spring Hope 5.36 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 6 a m, Nashville 6.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.15 a m and 4.30 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 45 a m. Rowland 10 00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 55 p m, arrives Dillon 5.50 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 6.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 11.00 p m, leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 47 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7 49 p m, leave Lanes 8.26 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.30 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.35 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8 55 a m, arrive Darlington 9 08 a m, Cheraw 10 40 a m. Wadesboro 2 25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 3.10 p m, arrive Darlington 3.24 p m, Hartsville 3 5 p m, Bennettsville 3 35 p m, Gibson 3 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.17 a m, Hartsville 10 10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6 15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7 40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6 32 a m, arrive Darlington 7 1 a m, leave Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 3 15 p m, Darlington 4 27 p m, arrive Florence 5 55 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 3.35 p m, Dunn 3.55 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m. 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.55 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.40 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.45 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 10 a m, Creston 5 21 a m, arrive Denmark 6 30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 55 p m, Creston 6 47 p m, Sumter 8 40 p m Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 8 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m; arrives Creston 3 30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.48 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliot 8.35 a m and 3.30 p m.

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W., N. & N. Railway.

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
No. 48	No. 46		No. 47	No. 45
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
7 00	2 00	Lv... Walnut street ...Ar	12 40	7 40
7 00	3 10	Lv... Surry street ...Ar	12 30	3 35
9 50		Ar... Jacksonville ...Lv		12 05
11 00	8 00	Lv " Ar	10 45	10 20
11 00	4 00	Lv... Maysville ...Lv	10 45	9 15
12 20	4 44	Lv... Pollocksville ...Lv	9 20	8 50
1 30	5 30	Ar... Newbern ...Lv	9 30	8 00
	P M		A M	A M

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains.
Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.
Trains 4 and 7 p m make connection with trains on A. & N. C. R. R. for Morehead City and Beaufort.
Connection with Steamer Neuse at Newbern to and from Elizabeth City and Norfolk Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Steamer Geo. D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.
*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
†Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
‡Daily except Sunday.

H. A. WHITING,
General Manager.
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Traffic Manager. may 20 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.		STATIONS.	4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 00	Goldsboro	11 00	.....
.....	4 13	Kinston	10 32	.....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 35
6 27	6 42	Morehead City...	8 02	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 25 a m, and with Seaboard Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.20 p m, and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 2.30 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at

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SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 28, 1897

CORBETT-FITZSIMMONS.

Principals Fit to Battle Now—All Arrangements Progressing Satisfactorily.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARSON, NEV., Feb. 27.—The conclusion of the week finds preparations for the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight and other contests of less magnitude well in hand. All monetary arrangements are complete and satisfactory. The principals have demonstrated that they are fit to battle for their lives even now. Stuart's mammoth colliseum is half finished and the weather has moderated sufficiently to please everybody. An infusion of objectionable characters is being carefully guarded against by the State and municipal authorities and "sure thing" manipulators are weeded out immediately their presence is detected.

Referee George Siler has conferred with the men to whom his decision will mean glory or disgrace, and they have agreed to abide by his interpretation of the rules under which they will contest. Gov. Sadler and Sheriff Kinney have been quietly gathering about them trusted deputies, who are placed on the pay roll as fast as their services are required. The tax payers are not grumbling over the additional burden thus placed upon them, and the householders dispense latch-keys with a reckless liberality and unbounded confidence in their guests. From half completed plans of the arena now on exhibition 1,900 tickets have already been sold and a number of sections yet remain untouched. These are the ones which will be reserved for special excursion parties from the East and elsewhere, who have already bespoken accommodation. Ring patrons in distant cities thus stand an equal show of getting seats with those who are near the ground.

Visitors are beginning to shed their overshoes to-day, the sidewalks and street corners having been dried by the warm sun. The roads are a little deep with mud, but the sandy loam rapidly absorbs the water, and bicycles are being oiled up for service.

With the exception of Corbett's manager, Brady, nobody is disposed to do any betting. In all championship battles heretofore one man has entered the ring a pronounced favorite. On form, Fitzsimmons should control the long end. On class, Corbett easily leads. Sporting writers vary their opinions to suit their hearers and friends of both heavy-weights are not indulging in any loud talk.

ATLANTA'S NEWS.

Otis Smith's Shortage Paid—Charges Preferred Against Head of Sanitary Department—Will Be Arrested For Perjury.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 27.—Otis Smith's friends paid the amount of his shortage to the Georgia Security and Banking Company to-day, and he was released from jail. He went direct to the Union station and took a train for New Orleans. Smith said he was going West.

Charles W. Joiner, formerly an employe of the city's sanitary department, has preferred charges against the head of the department, Thomas E. Veal. Joiner charges that Veal's buying and selling for the city were dishonest, and that he used the city's supplies for his own personal live stock. Joiner also says that Veal made employes rent houses from him or from his friends, among them a woman.

W. J. Mallard, manager of the Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company, charges Frank Crapp with perjury in applying for a receiver for the insurance company. Crapp will be arrested. Judge Lumpkin did not appoint a receiver for the company to-day and will hear further argument on the petition March 6th

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Visible Supply of Cotton—Crop in Sight—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The total visible of cotton for the world is 3,833,322 bales, of which 3,455,022 bales are American against 3,784,078 bales and 3,299,878 bales respectively last year. Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns 48,338 bales. Receipts from the plantations 120,899 bales. Crop in sight 7,424,724 bales.

The *Sun's* cotton review says: Spot cotton advanced 1/16c, with sales of 1,700 bales for export and 147 for spinning. Middling uplands 7 7 16c, against 7 13 16c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7 1 16c, against 7 1-16c last year.

The sentiment to-day was decidedly bullish, and prices scored a substantial improvement. Liverpool was higher, both for futures and spots, with a good demand for spot cotton. Europe and the South bought here, Manchester reported a good demand at strong prices, the receipts were light, there was very little disposition to sell and shorts covered. Prices opened higher, advanced steady and closed firm at the best figures of the day. Many contend that the fact that there is a greater short interest in the market than was generally believed to exist was developed to-day, and that this short interest is becoming nervous on account of the scarcity of spot cotton at the South.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Higher—Corn and Oats Unchanged—May Lard and Ribs Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—May wheat opened from 74¼ to 74⅜c, sold between 73⅞@74c and 74⅛@74⅝c, closing at 74⅛c, ⅛@⅜c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was firm and ⅛c higher.

May corn opened at 28⅜c, sold between 28⅛@28⅜ and 28⅜@28½c, closing at the latter—unchanged from yesterday. Cash corn was easy and ⅛c lower for local billed, and ⅛@⅜c lower for through billed.

Cash oats were steady at yesterday's closing quotations.

The major portion of the trade in provisions took place at the opening. Prices showed but unimportant alterations from yesterday, a steady tone predominating. Five cents advance in hogs had a beneficial effect on the tone of product. May pork closed unchanged from yesterday. May lard 5c lower; May ribs a shade higher.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine firm at 29½@30c.

SAVANNAH, February 27.—Spirits turpentine 27½c paid and bid; sales 950 casks; receipts 958 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 1,417 barrels; receipts 2 637 barrels.

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IN CONGRESS.

POSTOFFICE APPROPRIATION BILL OCCUPIES THE SENATE.

The House Passes Anti-Scalping Bill and Non-Concurs in Senate Amendments to Indian Appropriation Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—To-day's session was occupied in the consideration of the Postoffice Appropriation bill, which appropriates $95,835,888. The points which led to the discussion were the items for the payment of railroad mail transportation and the proposition to create a committee on that general subject. Mr. Butler (Populist, of North Carolina) desired to have the railroads pay at the rates which are charged by express companies for like service, but his amendment was ruled out on a point of order. The Senate amendment for a joint committee of the two Houses to investigate the whole subject was modified by the committee itself so as to provide for a joint commission—a nominal change only—and to that a substitute was offered by Mr. Chandler, proposing that the committee shall consist of the two chairmen of the Postoffice Committees in the Senate and House, the Postmaster General and two citizens to be appointed by the President, and that the scope of its inquiry shall embrace the correction of alleged abuses in the postal service—including second class mail matter, the extension of free delivery in the rural region, the reduction of the cost of railroad transportation, the adoption of one cent letter postage and other like questions. In the course of the long debate on this subject, Mr. Dubois notified the Republicans that they could not organize the Senate in the extra session, and that the silver Republican Senators would not co-operate with them. The action of the Republican Convention at St. Louis, he said, had caused the loss of the Pacific coast to the party, so that, of the seven Senators since elected there to take the place of Republicans, only one Republican was sent back.

Mr. Hill of New York, Democrat, advocated Mr. Chandler's substitute, and criticised the action of the Committee on Appropriations in relation to the subject, which caused the chairman of that committee, Mr. Allison, to express facetiously his satisfaction at the advice given to the Senate by the Senators from Idaho and New York, as neither of them would have the opportunity of advising the Senate next session.

At 6 o'clock a recess was taken until 8 o'clock.

After the recess a number of private bills were passed, and then Mr. Quay endeavored to obtain unanimous consent for the consideration of the bill forbidding the sale of liquors in the Capitol, but Mr. Hill objected.

Mr. Chandler's amendment, providing for a civil commission, provoked so much antagonism that in order to make any progress at all with the bill the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Butler (Populist, of North Carolina) moved to strike out the item of $171,950 for fast mail service between New York, Atlanta and New Orleans. He made an argument of nearly two hours' duration against the appropriation, which he characterized as a gift, a subsidy to the railroads.

Mr. Tillman defended the provision and declared Mr. Butler's argument a piece of sentimentality. He said there was entirely too much sentimentality in the South. What it needed was more practicability. This was followed by a warm and rapid exchange of compliments between the Senators of the two adjoining States. Mr. Butler's amendment was defeated—8 to 41.

The Postoffice bill was then passed, and the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill came up.

At 12.45 Sunday morning, after a number of unsuccessful attempts by Mr. Hill to have an hour fixed on Monday for holding an executive session for the consideration of nominations, it was agreed that at 2 30 a. m. the Senate should take a recess until 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The reading of the Sundry Civil bill was then resumed.

At 3 o'clock there were but few Senators present to listen to the monotonous reading of the clerk. At that hour he had covered about half the 184 pages contained in the bill.

At 3 30 the Senate took a recess to meet at 8 p. m. Sunday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The anti-scalping bill was passed by the House this afternoon, after the exhaustion by its opponents of every parliamentary device of which the rules permitted the exercise. But the majority in favor of the bill—more than two-thirds—was sufficient to overcome all obstacles, and finally triumphed. The bill was called up by Mr. Sherman of New York, Republican, by instructions of the Committee on Inter-State and Foreign Commerce, and he offered to limit debate to two hours. This was not acceptable to the opponents of the bill, and the result of their refusal was that Mr. Sherman secured the ordering of the previous question, the operation of which restricted debate to twenty minutes a side. The bill was advocated by Messrs. Sherman and Hepburn, and opposed by Messrs. Patterson, Mahaney, Northway, Eilett and others. The bill was passed by a vote of 149 to 51.

The House non-concurred in Senate amendments to the Indian Appropriation bill and it was sent to conference.

The House at 5.40 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

ITS LABORS ENDED.

The Venezuelan Commission Delivers Its Report to the President and Goes Out of Existence.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Venezuelan Commission terminated its existence to-day at noon, when its members, Justice Brewer, Frederick R. Coudert, Andrew D. White, Justice Alvey and President Gilman, accompanied by Secretary Mallet-Prevost, called on the President and delivered its report of the work accomplished in the year of its existence. While the report does not indicate any conclusion as to the merits of the controversy which led to the appointment of the Commission, its work having been stopped before the actual "determination of a true divisional line between British Guiana and Venezuela" had actually been undertaken, it is understood that the enormous amount of evidence collected through the Commission's efforts will make the decision possible by an impartial court in the future. This evidence, which has not yet been printed, is completely arranged for filing in the archives of the State Department, where it will be available for the arbitral tribunal which meets at Paris in 1898.

To-day's visit to the President was brief and marked with cordial expressions of the President's satisfaction.

Admiral Bunce has ordered the ram Katkadin to leave New York and join his squadron at Hampton Roads, where the manœuvring qualities of this novel vessel will be thoroughly tested. The Texas has arrived at New Orleans without mishap and the Essex at St. Kitts, West Indies.

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FOREIGN NEWS.

RUSSIA USES THREATENING LANGUAGE TOWARDS ENGLAND.

Will Not Allow the Peace of Europe to Be Endangered by Events in Crete—Public Opinion in England Demands Autonomy for Crete—United States Criticised for Not Protecting Its Citizens.

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LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Greco-Cretan situation is in its larger aspect less hopeful. The announcement of the agreement of the Powers for its final settlement was, to say the least, premature. There exists at the present moment serious irritation between Russia and Great Britain which has provoked the former Power to adopt an attitude that can hardly be described in a milder term than threatening. I do not pretend to know the exact cause of the trouble. It was discussed at a hastily summoned meeting of the British Cabinet this afternoon, with what result it, of course, is impossible to say. A singular semi-official *communique* from St. Petersburg is published to-day, in which it is set forth "in the event of Greece, with blind apprehension of her own advantage, offering further opposition to the well-meant advice of Russia and of the Powers in alliance with her, of creating difficulties, or in the event of her allowing herself to be encouraged in her present attitude by self-seeking friends, perhaps on the false supposition of lack of unanimity among the Great Powers because one or the other Powers did not support at the outset the proposals of Russia, who is in perfect agreement with Germany and France, Russia in such an emergency is determined upon her course of action. Conscious of her unity with France and of her absolute agreement with Germany and also with Austria, even if isolated Powers should not associate themselves in the steps she is resolved to take, Russia will be in a position at any rate not to allow the peace of Europe to be endangered by events in Crete."

This is the tone which Russia has not adopted towards any Power within living memory. England, of course, is the country meant, and the words employed suggest some exceedingly grave suspicions. It may be, however, that this language was used in the interval between the reception of Lord Salisbury's note, saying in effect that England would do nothing in regard to Greece until the fate of Crete was decided, and before England had notified her acceptance of Russia's proposal for solving the difficulty. That proposal, although agreed to in principle by the six Powers, will not be enforced in the form interpreted by Lord Salisbury in the House of Lords on Thursday. Neither England nor Italy nor France will fire a gun to drive the Greeks away from Crete in order that the island be delivered to Turkish troops for "police" purposes. Public opinion in all three countries would put an absolute veto upon that proposition. Every dispatch received from Greece and Crete makes it perfectly clear that such an arrangement would never be submitted to. In fact, the reply of Greece to Lord Salisbury's discouraging speech Thursday night has been a summons to two more divisions of reserves to mobilize. Nothing but absolute autonomy for Crete will be accepted by public opinion in this country, and Lord Salisbury is fully aware of this fact by this time. His unfortunate allusion to the use of Turkish troops as police in Crete has added much to the popular indignation. Public anger is slow to kindle in England. Cause and effect in this, as in all things else, are separated by a wider interval than in almost any other country. Public opinion is fully aroused now.

No news has yet been received of the reception of the note or ultimatum from the Powers to Greece, but it is generally expected that it will be sent to day. Its terms and the number of signatures it has will signify much. There is no real reason, however, for thinking the Greek Government will change its attitude or its purpose in response to a demand on the lines of Lord Salisbury's speech. All accounts agree that it is not within the power of the King or Government of Greece to change its policy at such bidding. Quite aside therefore from the question of the unanimity of the Powers, the situation is still one of the greatest difficulty.

The Porte has announced blithely its intention to put 110,000 men on the Thessalian frontier, but so far it has been able to obtain only funds enough to equip and transport about 15,000 for that purpose. It looks as though non-Mussulman financiers and contractors have arrived at the conclusion that the beginning of the end is near, for the former have tightly closed their purse-strings and the latter have had the audacity to press for a settlement of their long standing accounts, a proceeding which is very like crying for the moon.

England is the last place in which one would expect to find any criticism of the United States for failure to protect its citizens in Cuba, and yet even the London *Times* comments on the weakness of the American Government in this respect. The Havana correspondent of that journal cables:

"There is much comment by all classes on the fact that the United States Government makes no strong efforts to secure protection for the lives and property of American citizens."

This and other independent testimony to the weakness of the American attitude in the face of gross outrage and indignities by the Spanish authorities is arousing deep feeling among the Americans in Europe.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

Causes Loss of Life and Damage to Property.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS., Feb. 27.—This morning, shortly after 8 o'clock, the boiler house, harness shop and cloth room of the Acushnet Mills were wrecked by a boiler explosion. Two men (and possibly more) were killed outright, a dozen or more operatives were injured, and the whole city was thrown into a state of intense excitement. A piece of exploded boiler, weighing a ton, shot high into the air, clearing the three-story main mill and landed on the roof of the South police station, a quarter of a mile away, completely wrecking the upper story of the building. In addition to this, the glass in nearly every window of the surrounding mills was shattered and a hole nearly twenty feet square was broken through the picker-room of the mill to the east of the boiler house by flying boiler tubes.

So far as is known at present, only two employes have been killed but it is a miracle that the list of dead was not quadrupled. The money loss is estimated at $40,000.

Gen. Thomas A. Huguenenin, a distinguish Confederate soldier, whose Major Huguenenin, was the last commander of Fort Sumter and held that post for seven months, died at his home in Charleston, S C., last night.

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THE CRETAN QUESTION.

The British Seize a Greek Steamer—The Situation Extremely Grave.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CANEA, CRETE, February 27.—The Greek steamer Theseus has been seized by a British torpedo boat belonging to the united fleet while attempting to land provisions and munitions of war for the Greek troops at Platania. Three members of the Greek Chamber of Deputies, MM. Papakianas, Epanis and Razelo, were on board the captured vessel.

ATHENS, Feb. 27.—In view of the fact that the Chamber has not been in session for some days past, the leaders of the opposition met to day and signed a protest, which was presented to the King. The protest declares that the Crown is entitled to act alone in such a case as the present, and if it does not act the opposition cannot be answerable for the situation.

CANEA, Feb. 27.—Col. Vassos, the commander of the Greek army of occupation, has promised to use his influence with the insurgents at Selino to obtain the release of the Moslems who are besieged there. The result is now awaited with anxiety, as the continued confinement of the Moslems is causing dread of reprisals.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The *Observer* will to-morrow publish a dispatch from Paris saying that alarming rumors are in circulation there. If these rumors are true they show that the situation is extremely grave. Two of the rumors receive credit. One of them concerns Russia's attitude toward the policy of Greece, an attitude which apparently nothing will mitigate. The other is to the effect that the Dragoman attached to the Russian embassy at Constantinople has notified the Porte that Russia will occupy Armenia if hostilities break out.

FILIBUSTERING STEAMERS.

Treasury and Navy Officials Seeking to Prevent a Combination of the Bermuda and the Dauntless.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—A sharp lookout is being kept by vessels of the navy and revenue cutter service for the filibustering steamer Bermuda, and the appearance of the battleship Indiana off the St. John's bar, Florida, is only another evidence of the precautionary measures adopted. Whether the Treasury Department has any information or not on the subject has not been ascertained, but it is certain that the officials there believe that another filibustering expedition is in contemplation if it has not already been planned.

Instructions have been sent to the collector of customs at Jacksonville with reference to the renewed application of the detained steamer Dauntless for permission to go to Fernandina on a wrecking trip, that the Department stands on the grounds previously stated, in effect that unless the owners of the Dauntless make the required legal affidavit that the vessel does not intend to engage in a violation of the neutrality or navigation laws, the vessel must remain in the collector's custody. This affidavit the owners of the Dauntless refused to make, although agreeing to proceed to Jacksonville in custody of an officer of the United States. A combination of the Bermuda and the Dauntless is what the Treasury and Navy officials are seeking to prevent. All the available vessels of the revenue cutter service are now engaged in filibustering patrol work and the Navy Department has increased its force by the assignment of the Marblehead, the Vesuvius and the Indiana.

BUILDING COLLAPSE.

High Water Undermines a Five-Story Warehouse—One Person Killed—Several Others Make Narrow Escapes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 27.—The first fatality attending the high water occurred at 4 15 o'clock this afternoon. Three of the floors of the five story stone front warehouse on Front street near Vine, owned by Hinkle, Wilson & Kreies, grocers, caved in at that hour. The building is surrounded with several feet of water. About 1 000 barrels of sugar went down with the wreck and carried with it several men. All of the front and rear walls and part of the side walls are still standing. Eleven men were at work in the building but all escaped serious injury by jumping from windows into the water except Jacob Schmalbach, aged fifty, of Covington, Ky., who is missing and doubtless crushed to death under the ruins. On account of the danger from the tottering walls and the surrounding flood it is impossible to search for the body. Mike Coleman, another of the men, was struck on the head by a falling joist. Mr. Wilson, one of the proprietors, was in the front of the building when the collapse came, and was thrown into the cellar. He was not struck by any of the debris, and succeeded in swimming to safety. The high waters doubtless weakened the foundations and let the floors down. The loss is about $55,000.

A HEROIC DEED.

A Son Loses His Life in Saving His Father.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GALVESTON, TEX., Feb. 27.—Paul LeFevre made an heroic and successful effort to save the life of his father this morning, but lost his own. Eugene LeFevre & Son, carpenters and housemovers, were engaged in moving an old building, but their progress was obstructed by wires. Eugene LeFevre, who was standing on the top of the building, grasped one of the wires with both hands in an effort to raise it to the top of the house. Instantly he was paralyzed, blue flashes of electricity flew from his body, his hands were smoking and the smell of burning flesh made the lookers-on turn sick. Paul, who was on the roof with his father, sprang to him and tore him loose. As his father fell on the roof his life was saved; the son fell upon the wires and his life was sacrificed, although every effort was made to save him. The young man was twenty-three years of age. The elder LeFevre's hands were fearfully burned and his escape from death was miraculous and was due to the bravery of his son.

CLOSED ITS DOORS.

Run on a St. Louis Bank Causes It to Suspend.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 27.—After a run of an hour this morning the Mullanphy Bank, corner of Broadway and Cass streets, closed its doors. Bank Examiner C. O. Austin immediately took charge, and the following placard was posted on the doors: "This bank is in the hands of the Secretary of State." The liabilities are estimated at $810,000, and Cashier Kammerer says the assets will reach nearly the same figures. The Mullanphy Bank has about 1,500 depositors, and was regarded as one of the most substantial savings institutions in the city. Examiner Austin is inclined to the belief that the bank will not resume. The filing of a chattel mortgage of $35 000 by a commission firm is said to be responsible for the run and subsequent failure. The Clearing House Association has appointed a committee to investigate the failure.

WARM WIRELETS.

Treasury balances: Coin, $[illegible],731,953 currency, $60,688,868.

The Secretary of the Navy this afternoon decided to call the new torpedo boat known as No. 6, the "Farragut," in honor of the naval hero.

The Paris *Figaro* asserts that King George of Greece intends to abdicate, his throne in favor of his eldest son Crown Prince Constantine.

Charles Parsons, president of the South Carolina Railroad Company, when seen yesterday in New York, would neither deny nor confirm the dispatch from Augusta, Ga., that his road had acquired the Augusta Southern Railroad.

Ex-Judge William W. Crump, the most distinguished lawyer of Richmond, Va., died in that city at 4.30 p. m., yesterday, aged 78. He had served in the City Council, in the Legislature, as Circuit Judge, as Assistant Secretary of the Confederate Treasury, and in many other public positions.

Yesterday Alfred Reed, proprietor, and Walter Christy, political writer, on the *Commercial Gazette*, recently found guilty of criminal libel, on charges brought by Senators William Flynn and C. L. Magee, were sentenced to each pay a fine of $100 and the costs of prosecution.

A dispatch from Madrid to the London *Central News* says: Among the fifty-five prisoners taken by the Spanish troops in the uprising at Manila on Thursday is a man who claims to be and undoubtedly is an American citizen. All of the prisoners will be tried by court-martial and thirty of them will doubtless be shot.

Yesterday brought to a close a week in the New York dry goods market in which there was an increased business transacted at both first and second hands without buyers showing any disposition to depart from a conservative policy in their operations. In yesterday's business the restriction of orders to supplies for quick delivery has been specially noticeable.

Men's White Shirts.

A shirt that opens in the front is less likely to break across the bosom than one that opens in the back only, and one that opens in the front only—many shirts are now made to open front and back, too—fits best. The buttonholes in the collar band and the eyelets or other openings in the bosom for studs afford sufficient play, while the yoke of the shirt remains firm and smooth. The shirt that opens front and back has the advantage that the studs can be put in place before the shirt is put on. In putting on and taking off the shirt it is opened at the back. The studs need not be removed until the shirt is sent to the wash. With this freedom from handling the shirt is likely to remain longer in suitable condition for wear.

The proportion of shirts made to open in front, either front and back both or front only, is all the time increasing.

More and more shirts are now being worn with cuffs attached.—New York Sun.

Thackeray's Sensitiveness.

Thackeray said, "What do you think of the last number?" (No. 2 or 3 of "The Newcomes.") He himself was evidently not quite satisfied with it. "I like it immensely," was my cordial rejoinder. A word or two more passed respecting the illustrations, which had been sharply criticised, and just as we parted I was tactless idiot enough to add, "But, my dear fellow, perhaps there may be some kind people who will say that you did the cuts and Doyle the letterpress."

On this Thackeray's jaw dropped, and he exclaimed bitterly, "Oh, really, that's your opinion, is it?" I say at once what a mistake I had made, but I could only reply: "I spoke in fun; pure fun. You know perfectly well how much I admire your writings and also Doyle's cuts." But Thackeray would have none of it and turned wrathfully away in the direction of Pimlico.—"My Confidences," by Locker-Lampson.

Telegraphing With Smoke.

The blacks in Australia have a way of making known events which have taken place hundreds of miles away. They do this by a simple system of utilizing the smoke from two or more fires. If, for instance, the death of a black chief or a massacre of whites occur, it is known long before the police get scent of the occurrence. It is done in this way: The natives light green wood fires, which send up a small column of smoke. Then an opossum rug is covered over the fires, and it is lifted up and down, which causes the smoke to rise in small clouds of various sizes and forms, and these constitute recognized signals. This, of course, can only be done in calm weather. How they manage their smoke telegraphy in windy weather is not known, but it is done somehow, although the whites have never yet discovered the secret.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Lime Orchards.

The finest lime tree gardens in the world are on the little island of Montserrat, a British colony. The orchards with their 150,000 trees laden with bright fruit are as gorgeous as an orange orchard. The lime leaf is so aromatic that in the West Indies it is used to perfume the water in finger bowls.

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You will not find in his city a better assorted stock of Candies, Fruits, and Apples than mine. And don't forget that my prices are the lowest. Andrew Mavronichols, 705 North Fourth street. feb 7 tf

Don't fail to see me if you are contemplating the purchase of a Piano, Organ or any musical instrument. Ask about my easy one year payment plans. A. E. Reville, 318 North Front street. feb 5 1m

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If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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Wilton Velvets, Nubias, "Westmoreland" and "Crown" Smyrnas in all sizes, and Danten Jutes.

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200 rolls China and Japanese Mattings just received.

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Men's Suits in Black Cheviot at $4 50 and $5.00. In fine all wool beautiful Clay Worsted at $7 00; very fine at 8 00 and 10 00. A splendid Scotch Cheviot Gray Suit worth $8.00, 5.50. Overcoats for less than cost. Men's Dress Coats at $1.50. Odd Pants are a specialty with me. I can fit you up in a pair. Jeans Pants for 45c; heavy Cottonade good Pants at 50c; a fine Worsted Pants at 75c; a splendid Blue and Black Cheviot at 90c, $1 00 and 1 25 a pair. Fine stylish Pants in Spring patterns and new styles, $1.50, 2.00 2 50 and 3 00 a pair. Men's heavy Overalls and Jumpers at 50c a pair, $1 00 for a Suit.

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